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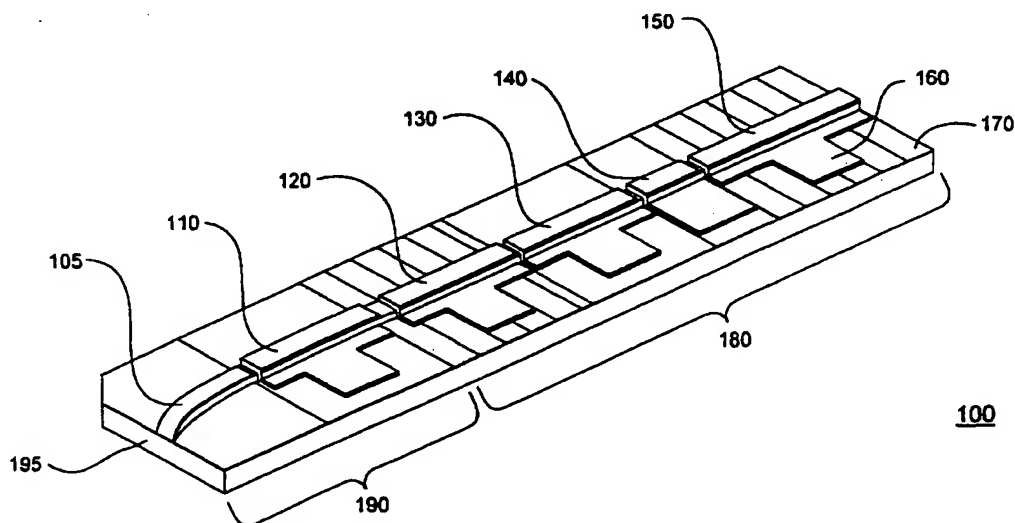
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(57) Abstract: A laser assembly includes an epitaxial structure formed on a substrate. A separately controllable tunable laser resonator and external optical amplifier are formed in the epitaxial structure. At least a portion of the laser and amplifier share a common waveguide, which may have non-uniform optical or geometrical properties along the waveguide centerline or across a normal to the centerline.

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